"Government should be market-based--we should not be afraid of competition, innovation, and choice. I will open government to the discipline of competition" George W. Bush

A-76 is a "Management Tool" that provides the opportunity to streamline organizations, implement best business practices, increase efficiency, effectiveness, and quality of service, all while lowering operational costs.

In November 2005, the Department of Energy (DOE) awarded a seven year, \$1 billion award to Energy Enterprise Solutions, LLC (EES, http://www.eesllc.net), in partnership with the Department of Energy's Most Efficient Organization (MEO), to support the Department's IT requirements as a result of the recently completed DOE A-76 IT Competitive Sourcing Study. This award is one of the largest Federal Information technology services contracts ever awarded to a small business.

Specifically, the DOE IT-A76 initiative will consolidate IT Infrastructure & Support Services to:

- Achieve economies and efficiencies for common IT services
- Devote program resources to mission specific IT activities
- Strengthen the cyber security posture of the Department
- Eliminate duplicative IT and IT Support Services contracts
- Focus Federal IT workforce on inherently governmental functions

EES will support the DOE MEO in a wide range of information technology areas including enterprise architecture and capital investment planning, cybersecurity, applications/ web design and engineering for DOE corporate systems, and technical support for the DOE IT Infrastructure and operations, including telecommunications, network engineering and operations, applications hosting, desktop management and user support services.

The consolidation of IT service delivery to the Department will be achieved by way of the innovative public/private partnership designed to utilize contractor support, through Energy Enterprise Solutions LLC, to supplement federal personnel performing inherently governmental functions within the MEO. The objectives of the IT-A76 Study will be fully realized as the MEO is implemented, and DOE Programs utilize the MEO contract vehicle.